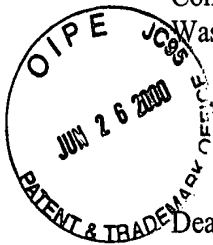


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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Denisa D. Wagner et al. Art Unit : 1623
Serial No. : 09/436,076 Examiner : Fonda, K.
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Title : METHODS FOR TREATING AND PREVENTING ATHEROSCLEROSIS

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231



AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

UNDER 35 U.S.C. §121

Dear Sir:

This is in response to an Office Action (Paper No. 4) dated April 12, 2000. A separate petition for the appropriate extension of time to respond is being filed concurrently herewith.

Prior to examination, please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

(For the Examiner's convenience, all of the pending claims, whether or not amended, are set forth below).

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 39, 43, 44, 46-48, 54-55, 57-58 and 63, and amend claims 40, 42, 45, 49-51, 53, 56 and 59-60, as follows:

Sub 40. (Amended) A method for treating or preventing restenosis in a mammal, comprising:
C1 providing a chimeric construct comprising a P-selectin ligand or a fragment thereof and
B1 another molecule capable of inhibiting interaction between P-selectin and a ligand of P-selectin
[an agent for inhibiting an interaction between P-selectin and a ligand of P-selectin, said agent
being selected from the group consisting of an inhibitory protein, an inhibitory peptide, an

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